



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
ALBUQUERQUE AREA INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE



The Albuquerque Area Indian Health Service defines its mission as a commitment to the well-being and cultural integrity of Indian people through a participatory and consultative process.

THE ALBUQUERQUE AREA INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE IS A "SMOKE-FREE" ENVIRONMENT

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NO.

AAO -MPP-05-09

AAO-ESEP-05-09

OPENING DATE

03-15-2005

CLOSING DATE

04-14-2005

POSITION TITLE, SERIES, GRADE AND SALARY

HEALTH SYSTEMS SPECIALIST, GS-671-12/13

GS-12 \$60,576 – \$78,745 Per Annum

GS-13 \$72,035 - \$93,643 Per Annum

(Includes Locality Pay Adjustment)

LOCATION AND DUTY STATION

ALBUQUERQUE AREA OFFICE

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

AREA OF CONSIDERATION: ALL SOURCES

RELOCATION: Relocation Expenses will be paid for eligible employees in accordance with Federal Travel Regulations and 41CFR Chapter 302.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

- One permanent full-time position. The incumbent of this position is subject to call back and/or standby duty.
- *Incumbent will be expected to travel approximately 75% of the time.*
- If you are a male, born after December 31, 1959, and you want to be employed by the Federal government, you must (subject to certain exemptions) be registered with the Selective Service System.
- In accordance with Chapter 12, Indian Health Manual, IHS Employee Immunization Program, selected candidate will be required to submit proof of immunity to the following diseases: Rubella and Measles.
- Before hiring, the IHS will ask you to complete a "Declaration for Federal Employment" and/or "Declaration for Federal Employment Indian Health Service Child Care & Indian Child Care Worker Positions" to determine your suitability for federal employment, to authorize a background investigation, and to certify the accuracy of all information in your application. Under P.L. 101-630 Indian Child Protection Act, anyone who answers in the affirmative will be found ineligible and unsuitable for employment in the Indian Health Service. If you make a false statement in any part of your application, you may not be hired; you may be fired after you begin work; or you may be fined or jailed.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Incumbent serves as the Albuquerque Area Health Promotion Disease Prevention (HP/DP) Consultant. Plans, coordinates, develops, implements and evaluates HP/DP prevention initiative serving Tribal, urban and IHS units (I/T/U) through collaboration with a variety of community organizations and other federal agencies. The majority (75%) of work is performed in the communities served. Disseminates best practices information and monitors progress of communities in their development implementation and maintenance HP/DP programs. The incumbent is required to network with a variety of state, federal, Tribal, governments and agencies as well as with non-profit organizations, universities, schools, health care providers, public health professionals, researchers, health educators, etc., to address community HP/DP status and needs. Focus will be on one of four identified HP/DP issues; diabetes, cardiovascular disease, alcohol/substance abuse or cancer. Identifies diverse issues (i.e. worksite wellness, community, school, health and patient education), analyzes the interrelationships between broad functions of health and health promotion and recognizes trends in health care that will impact the health of American Indians. The incumbent must be able to provide solutions to the identified challenges that include partnerships and collaborative efforts with pertinent organizations and programs. Develop, monitor, evaluate and mentor members of a *Healthy Native Communities Fellowship* program to serve as change agents and resource people who can serve as catalysts for wellness efforts across the Albuquerque Area. The incumbent serves as the leader providing direction and technical expertise in planning, developing, implementing and evaluating HP/DP plans and programs in the Area. Incumbent serves as liaison with the Albuquerque Area Preventive Health Council working with the AAIHS HP/DP Program Plan including identification of funding sources and resource allocation. Seeks funding sources such as grants and partnering with other entities to target funding to support HPDP initiatives; is responsible for tracking funds, funds allocation and funds reporting; tracks HP/DP efforts via GPRA indicators. Performs other duties as assigned.

COMPETITIVE SERVICE & EXCEPTED SERVICE QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Candidates for the GS-12 grade level must have had at least 1 year of specialized experience equivalent to the next lower grade *and meet the Selective Factor below.*

Candidates for the GS-13 grade level must have had at least 1 year of specialized experience equivalent to the next lower grade *and meet the Selective Factor below.*

SPECIALIZED EXPERIENCE is progressively responsible analytical or administrative or clinical management or supervisory experience in the health care field. Work must have involved a close working relationship with facility managers and analysis and/or coordination of administrative, clinical or other service activities and provided knowledge of the following:

Missions, organizations, programs, and requirements of health care delivery systems;
Regulations and standards of various regulatory and credentialing groups; and
Government-wide, agency and facility systems and requirements in various administrative areas
such as budget, personnel and procurement.

Specialized experience must have equipped the applicant with the knowledge, skills and abilities to successfully perform the duties of this position which are typically in or related to the work of this position. Examples of specialized experience are found on page one of the vacancy announcement under the heading ***DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.***

SELECTIVE FACTOR: In order to be found qualified for this position, candidates must possess experience which evidences the following: ***Knowledge of public health HP/DP functions and issues such as but not limited to legislation, regulations, policy development technology, development and budget assessment, education research and clinical practice.***

TIME-IN-GRADE REQUIREMENTS: Merit Promotion candidates must have completed at least 52 weeks of service at the GS-11 to qualify for the GS-12 and 52 weeks of service at the GS-12 to qualify for the GS-13.

EVALUATION METHOD AND RANKING FACTORS: Evaluation will be made of the extent to which experience, education, training, self-development, performance appraisal, outside activities, and/or awards demonstrate that basically qualified candidates possess the Ranking Factors-KSA's described below. **Applicants must address the following KSA's on a separate sheet of paper.**

1. Knowledge of "best practices" relative to health promotion and disease prevention methodology, options and relationships between partners.
2. Ability to analyze and develop creative solutions to address issues and situations so as to gain and keep the confidence of coworkers, clients, prospective partners, etc.
3. Ability to write and/or develop a variety of material including preparation of grants, reports, general correspondence, presentations, etc. using skill and knowledge of software (i.e. MS Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.) using a variety of mediums consisting of narratives graphs, charts, materials, colors, design, etc.
4. Ability to communicate orally to obtain and provide information as well as to make public presentations to diverse populations and audiences.

WHO MAY APPLY:

Merit Promotion Plan (MPP) Candidates: Applications will be accepted from status eligibles (e.g., reinstatement eligibles and current permanent employees in the competitive federal service) and from current permanent IHS employees in the Excepted Service who are entitled to Indian preference.

Excepted Service Examining Plan (ESEP) Candidates: Applications will be accepted from individuals entitled to Indian preference. Current permanent IHS Excepted Service employees and competitive service employees or reinstatement eligible entitled to Indian preference may also apply under the provision of the Indian Health Service Excepted Service Examining Plan.

Candidates **must indicate** whether their application is submitted under the IHS Excepted Service Examining Plan, the IHS Area Merit Promotion Plan, or both.

Commissioned Corps Officers: PHS Commissioned Corps Officers are invited to apply for applicable professional positions for which they are qualified. The USPHS Commissioned Corps Officers who wish to apply for this vacancy announcement must submit a

resume and meet the same experience and training requirements for positions as Civil Service applicants as provided by the Indian Health Manual, Part 7, Chapter 3, and all other documents specified in this announcement.

Non-status Candidates: Applications will also be accepted from non-status candidates (individuals who have never been employed by the federal government) and individuals eligible for non-competitive appointment (e.g., applicants eligible for appointment under the Veterans Readjustment Act, the severely handicapped, those with a 30% or more compensable service-connected disability).

Indian Preference: Indian Health Service is required by law to give absolute preference in employment to qualified Indian preference candidates.

Veteran's Preference: Veterans who are preference eligibles or who have been separated from the armed forces under honorable conditions after 3 years or more of continuous active service may apply.

Reasonable Accommodations: This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify Pat Tomhave-Dodge. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Displaced Federal Employees Requesting Special Selection Priority Consideration: If you are currently a DHHS (includes IHS) employee who has received a Reduction in Force (RIF) separation notice or a Certificate of Expected Separation, you may be entitled to special priority selection under the DHHS (includes IHS) Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP).

Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP) -- To receive this priority consideration you must:

1. Be a current DHHS career or career-conditional (tenure group I or II) or be in a current IHS excepted appointment (with no time limits) tenure group II excepted/competitive service employee who has received a RIF separation notice or a Certificate of Expected Separation (CES) and the date of the RIF separation has not passed and you are still on the rolls of DHHS. You must submit a copy of the RIF separation notice or CES along with your application.
2. Be applying for a position that is at or below the grade level of the position from which you are being separated. The position must not have a greater promotion potential than the position from which you are being separated.
3. Have a current (or last) performance rating of record of at least fully successful or equivalent. This must be submitted with your application package.
4. Be currently employed by DHHS (includes IHS) in the same commuting area of the position for which you are requesting priority consideration.
5. File your application by the Vacancy Announcement closing date and meet all the application criteria (e.g., submit all required documentation, etc.).
6. Meet the basic qualifications for the position, including any documented selective factors, physical requirements with any reasonable accommodation, and is able to satisfactorily perform the duties of the position without undue interruption.

Interagency Career Transition Assistance Program (ICTAP) – If you are a displaced federal employee you may be entitled to receive special priority selection under the ICTAP. To receive this priority consideration you must:

1. Be a displaced federal employee. You must submit a copy of the appropriate documentation such as RIF separation notice, a letter from OPM or your agency documenting your priority consideration status with your application package. The following categories of candidates are considered displaced employees:
 - A. Current or former career or career-conditional (tenure group I or II) competitive service employees who:
 - 1) Received a specific RIF separation notice; or
 - 2) Separated because of a compensable injury, whose compensation has been terminated, and whose former agency certifies that it is unable to place; or
 - 3) Retired with a disability and whose disability annuity has been or is being terminated; or
 - 4) Upon receipt of a RIF separation notice retired on the effective date of the RIF and submits a Standard Form 50 that indicates "Retirement in lieu of RIF;" or
 - 5) Retired under the discontinued service retirement option; or
 - 6) Was separated because he/she declined a transfer of function or directed reassignment to another commuting area.

OR

- B. Former Military Reserve or National Guard Technicians who are receiving a special Office of Personnel Management (OPM) disability retirement annuity under section 8337(h) or 8456 of Title 5 United States Code.

2. Be applying for a position at or below the grade level of the position from which you have been separated. The position must not have a greater promotion potential than the position from which you were separated.
3. Have a current (or last) performance rating of record of at least fully successful or equivalent. This must be submitted with your application package. (This requirement does not apply to candidates who are eligible due to compensable injury or disability retirement).
4. Occupy or be displaced from a position in the same local commuting area of the position for which you are requesting priority consideration.
5. File your application by the Vacancy Announcement closing date and meet all the application criteria (e.g., submit all required documentation, etc.).
6. Be rated well qualified for the position, including any documented selective factors, quality ranking factors, physical requirements with any reasonable accommodation, and is able to satisfactorily perform the duties of the position upon entry.

Well-Qualified Definition: Surplus or displaced Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) employees may exercise selection priority for DHHS vacancies in their local commuting area if they apply directly for the vacancy and are determined to be well-qualified.

If filing an application for a noncompetitive action when no official vacancy announcement is being announced, "well-qualified" means that you meet the minimum qualification and eligibility requirements of the position (including any selective factors), and can perform the duties of the position without undue interruption to organizational operations.

If filing an application under a vacancy announcement, "well-qualified" means you meet the minimum qualification and eligibility requirements of the position (including any selective factors), and meet the cut-off score to be referred to the selection official. This score is derived as a natural break resulting from the rating and ranking of all qualified applicants to determine the extent to which candidates possess the knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSAs) required to succeed in the position.

- Only U.S. citizens may be appointed to the competitive service.

WHERE TO APPLY:

Applications MUST be received by close of business on the closing date to the following address:

Albuquerque Area Indian Health Service
Division of Human Resources
Attn: Pat Tomhave-Dodge
5300 Homestead Road NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110

For copies of vacancy announcements, contact the Division of Human Resources at (505) 248-4510. Vacancy announcements can be downloaded from the IHS website at www.ihs.gov or Office of Personnel Management (OPM) website at www.usajobs.opm.gov. We do not FAX vacancy announcements.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:

- **Verification of Indian Preference:** Applicants who wish to receive Indian Preference **MUST** submit the BIA Form 4432, Verification of Indian Preference for Employment in BIA and IHS Only. This certifies the applicant as an Indian as defined by the IHS Circular No. 87-3, dated July 9, 1987. **Indian preference will not be given unless the BIA Form 4432 is attached to the application/Résumé.**
- OF-306, Declaration for Federal Employment. Form may be downloaded from: <http://forms.psc.gov/forms/OF/Of-306.pdf>
 - Statement addressing the Selective Factor;
 - Statement addressing the Evaluation Factors (knowledge, skills & abilities);
 - Addendum to OF-306, Indian Health Service Child Care and Child Care Worker Positions Statement;
 - Statement authorizing review of application.

See 'HOW TO APPLY' on the last page, for additional information.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- Persons who submit incomplete applications will be given credit only for the information they provide and may not, therefore, receive full credit for their veteran preference determination, Indian preference, education, training and/or experience.
- All material submitted for consideration under this announcement becomes the property of Division of Human Resources and is subject to verification. Therefore, careful attention should be given to the information provided. Fraudulent statements or any form of misrepresentation in the application process could result in loss of consideration for this position and/or a determination of unsuitability for Federal employment.
- Additional or alternate selections may be made within 90 days of the date the Certificate of Eligible was issued provided the positions to be filled have the same title, series, grade, are in the same geographic location as the position announced, and have the same qualification requirements.
- **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:** Except for Indian preference, consideration will be given without regard to any non-merit factor such as race, color, religion, sex, national origin, partisan politics, physical or mental handicap, marital status, age, membership or non-membership in any employee organization, or sexual orientation.

DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES CLEARANCE:

/s/ Pat Tomhave-Dodge
Workforce Planning Analyst

03-15-05
Date

THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT MUST ACCOMPANY ALL APPLICATIONS:

"I hereby authorize any and all persons involved directly and/or indirectly in the selection process to review my application."

Signature of Applicant

Date

Addendum to Declaration for Federal Employment (OF 306)
Indian Health Service
Child Care & Indian Child Care Worker Positions

Item 15a. Agency Specific Questions

Name: _____ **Social Security Number:** _____
(Please Print)
Job Title in Announcement: _____ **Announcement Number:** _____

Section 231 of the Crime Control Act 1990, Public Law 101-647, requires that employment applications for Federal child care positions contain a question asking whether the individual has ever been arrested for or charged with a crime involving a child and for the disposition of the arrest or charge.

Section 408 of the Miscellaneous Indian Legislation, Public Law 101-630, contains a related requirement for positions in the Department of Health and Human Services that involve regular contact with or control over Indian children. The agency must ensure that persons hired for these positions have not been found guilty of or pleaded nolo contendere or guilty to certain crimes.

To assure compliance with the above laws, the following questions are added to the Declaration for Federal Employment:

- 1) Have you ever been arrested for or charged with a crime involving a child? YES_____ NO_____
[If "YES," provide the date, explanation of the violation, disposition of the arrest or charge, place of occurrence, and the name and address of the police department or court involved.]
- 2) Have you ever been found guilty of, or entered a plea of nolo contendere (no contest) or guilty to, any felonious or misdemeanor offense under Federal, State, or tribal law involving crimes of violence; sexual assault, molestation, exploitation, contact or prostitution; or crimes against persons; or offenses committed against children? YES_____ NO_____
[If "YES," provide the date, explanation of the violation, disposition of the arrest or charge, place of occurrence, and the name address of the police department or court involved.]

I certify that (1) my response to these questions is made under penalty of perjury, which is punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 or 5 years imprisonment, or both; and (2) I have received notice that a criminal check will be conducted. I understand my right to obtain a copy of any criminal history report made available to the Indian Health Service and my right to challenge the accuracy and completeness of any information contained in the report.

Applicant's Signature (sign in ink)

Date

Public Burden Statement: In accordance with Paperwork Reduction Act (5 CFR 1320.8 (b)(3), a Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Respondents must be informed (on the reporting instrument, in instructions, or in a cover letter) the reasons for which the information will be collected; the way the information will be used to further the proper performance of the functions of the agency; whether responses to the collection of the information are voluntary, required to obtain a benefit (citing authority), or mandatory (citing authority); and the nature and extent of confidentiality to be provided, if any (citing authority). Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the necessary data, and completing and reviewing the collection information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information to the IHS PRA Information Collection Clearance Staff, 12300 Twinbrook Parkway, Suite 450, Rockville, MD 20852. ***Please do not send completed data collection instruments to this address.***

HOW TO APPLY

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| The federal government does not require a standard application form for most jobs, but certain information is needed to evaluate your qualifications and determine if you meet legal requirements for federal employment. | | |
| Optional Application for Federal Employment – Form Number OF-612 www.opm.gov/forms/pdf_fill/of0612.pdf | Application for Federal Employment Form Number SF-171 http://forms.psc.gov/forms/SF/SF-171.pdf | Résumé or Other written application format with information requested below. www.opm.gov/forms/pdfimage/of0510.pdf |

If your résumé or application does not provide all the information we request, you may lose consideration for a job. Applicants who submit incomplete applications will be given credit ONLY for the information they provide and may not receive full credit for their veteran preference determination, Indian preference, education, training and/or experience.

Procedure for using résumé or other written application: Format MUST contain the following information. FAILURE TO INCLUDE ANY OF THE INFORMATION LISTED BELOW MAY RESULT IN LOSS OF CONSIDERATION FOR THIS POSITION. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL NOT BE SOLICITED BY THIS OFFICE.

➤ **JOB INFORMATION**

Announcement number, title and grade of the job for which you are applying.

➤ **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Full name, mailing address (with ZIP codes), day and evening telephone numbers (with Area codes).

Social Security Number.

Country of citizenship.

➤ **EDUCATION**

High School (name, city, state, ZIP code if known), and date of diploma or GED.

College and/or universities (name, city, state ZIP code if known), majors, type and year of any degrees received (if no degree show total semester or quarter hours earned).

To obtain educational credit, applicants must submit a copy of all college transcripts.

➤ **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Copy of latest Notification of Personnel Action (SF-50B) if current or former federal employee.

Highest federal civilian grade held (give job series and dates held)

Work experience (paid and unpaid)

Job title (include series and grade if federal job)

Duties and accomplishments

Employer's name and address

Supervisor's name and telephone number

Starting and ending dates (month and year)

Hours per week

Salary

Indicate if we may contact your current supervisor.

➤ **OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

Give dates but do not send documents unless requested

Job related training courses

Job related skills, i.e., computer software/hardware, tools, typing speed

Job related certificates and licenses (if you are a licensed medical professional, submit copy of license to practice)

Honors, awards, special accomplishments, i.e., publications, memberships, in professional or honor societies, leadership activities, public speaking, and performance awards.

Submit a copy of applicable documents with your application if you are in the following categories:

| COMMISSIONED OFFICER | INDIAN PREFERENCE | VETERANS PREFERENCE | FEDERAL EMPLOYEE |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Current Billet description ➤ Most recent "Commissioned Officers Effectiveness Report". ➤ Child Care Statement Form ➤ Applicable Licensure and/or Certifications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Verification of Indian Preference for employment, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Form 4432. ➤ Current employees of National Programs-Albuquerque, Albuquerque Area, or Nashville Area may state that proof of certificate of Indian preference is on file in their Official Personnel Folder (OPF). ➤ Preference will not be given unless a copy of the BIA Form 4432 is attached to the application. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Certificates of Release or discharge from Active Duty, VA form DD-214, and/or ➤ Application for 10-point Veterans Preference, Form SF-15 and supporting documents. ➤ To receive preference if your service began October 15, 1976, you must have a Campaign Badge, Expeditionary Medal, or a service connect disability. ➤ Preference will not be given unless a copy of the DD-214 (with appropriate dates) is attached to the application. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Latest Notification of Personnel Action, SF-50B verifying civil service status, grade, etc. ➤ Current performance appraisal. ➤ Priority consideration will not be given to DISPLACED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES, unless a copy of the appropriate documentation such as a RIF separation letter, a letter from OPM or your agency documentation showing your priority consideration status, is attached to the application. |